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## Control Order Restricting Movement and Spreading of Poultry Litter

The Department has confirmed 2 positive cases of High Path Avian Influenza in Delaware and additional cases have been confirmed in Maryland. In order to prevent the spread of this highly infectious and injurious virus, the Delaware Department of Agriculture issues this Control Order limiting the movement and spreading of poultry litter. This Control Order is in effect for 60 days from the date of execution.

The Control Zone for this order is all areas of Delaware that are north of Rt 10, Dover Air Force Base, and Pickering Beach Road.

The following restrictions are in place within the Control Zone.

- No transport of poultry litter into or out of the Control Zone.
- No transport of poultry litter within the Control Zone.
- Poultry litter that is inside a barn or structure cannot be spread.
- Poultry litter that is already field staged on the date of this order may be spread.
- Poultry litter may be moved through the Control Zone as long as the origin and destination are both outside the Control Zone.

This Control Order is issued by the authority of the Delaware Department of Agriculture under the General Provisions of the Department, Ref. Title 3, Ch. 1, § 101(8)(9):

- (8) Exercise authority and make and adopt regulations covering the possession, control, care, and maintenance of, and take measures necessary to control disease in and ensure the welfare of, the following domesticated species: poultry and livestock, including but not limited to bovine, camilid, cervidae, equine, swine, ruminants, ratites, rabbits, poultry, and other animals harvested for food, fiber, fur or leather;
- (9) Devise and execute measures necessary to mitigate disease occurrences in animal species, if such disease is able to affect poultry or livestock, or is capable of causing disease in humans. For rabies refer to Chapter 82 of this title.

Authorized By:

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